

REMARKS

Claims 36, 37, 40-42, 44-56 are pending in this application.

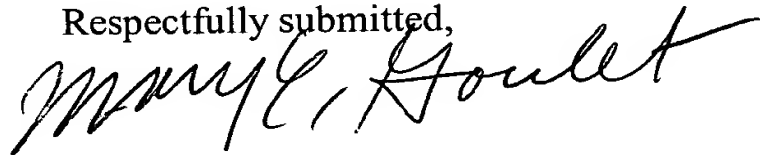
Above, the characterization of claims has been revised as requested by the Examiner in the Office Action dated November 12, 2003.

Applicants respond to the election requirement dated October 15, 2003 as follows.

As the thermoplastic component (a), polypropylene is elected as the species. As the reinforcement fiber (b), PAN carbon is elected as the species.

Claims 36-37, 40-42, 44, 46-56 read on the elected species where polypropylene is the thermoplastic component (a) and PAN carbon is the reinforcement fiber (b).

Respectfully submitted,



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